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7769th Military Intelligence Service Detachment (Salzburg),  
United States Forces Austria, APO 541

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#### ORGANIZATION

1. The 7769th Military Intelligence Service Detachment (Salzburg) (MIS Det Salzburg) is subordinate to the 7769th Military Intelligence Service (Austria) which is located in Vienna (see MIS/A report).

2. The interrogation elements of MIS Det Salzburg consist of two interrogation teams which operate out of Salzburg and two interrogation teams which work out of the sub-detachment at Linz, Austria. In addition, the detachment has a small translation section employing four indigenous personnel.

#### FUNCTIONS

3. The main function of MIS Det Salzburg is the interrogation of displaced persons, refugees, and returned prisoners of war for intelligence information. This information is compiled in the form of narrative reports, sent to the headquarters in Vienna, and there included in the Bi-Weekly Intelligence Summary of the ODI.

4. The indigenous personnel translate into German selected articles from Slavic language newspapers and periodicals. The articles are translated in their entirety for security reasons. These translations are then extracted for biographical, industrial, and other information.

#### CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

5. The few captured documents which this detachment has in its possession are used for reference only. These documents are listed in an inventory produced by MIS/A dated 9 April 1948.

6. The current documents this detachment exploits consist of a limited number of Russian periodicals, the Moscow dailies, and a few Satellite newspapers.

7. Occasionally documents are picked up in the displaced persons camps, but these documents are generally of a propagandistic nature.

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REMARKS

8. This detachment expressed strong interest in obtaining the ICF and IC cards, and the CIA press and periodical abstracts. This material could be employed as a means of furnishing reference and current background material to the members of the detachment and, in many cases, prevent duplication.

RECOMMENDATIONS

9. It is recommended that the headquarters of MIS/A in Vienna be furnished the material mentioned in paragraph 8 in order that it will be available to this detachment (see paragraphs 8-10 of MIS/A report).

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